

**Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

1. (original) A system for assessing a building's propensity to mold growth, the system comprising:

- a base module;
- a remote module being communicably connected to the base module;
- an inspection form accessible to the base and remote modules, the inspection form including a plurality of building characteristics utilized during inspection of the building; and,
- a calculator for determining a mold risk score, the calculator being operably connected to the base module and capable of utilizing the inspection form to calculate a mold risk score.

2. (original) The system of claim 1 wherein the building characteristic is selected from the group consisting of interior, exterior, roofing, building envelope, attic, foundation drainage, plumbing, foundation type, and HVAC system.

3. (original) The system of claim 1 further comprising:  
an action item list providing suggestive solutions to reduce the mold risk score, the action item list being generated in response to the calculated mold risk score exceeding a predetermined level.

4. (currently amended) ~~For the system of claim 1, a~~ A method for assessing a building's propensity to foster mold growth according to the system of claim 1, the method comprising the steps of:

- providing the inspection form;

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receiving a completed inspection form; and,  
calculating a mold risk score in response to the completed inspection form.

5. (original) The method of claim 4 further comprising the step of:  
performing a mold growth propensity assessment in response to the calculated mold risk score.

6. (original) The method of claim 4 further comprising the step of:  
providing a list of suggested steps to reduce the mold risk score in response to the calculated mold risk score exceeding a predetermined threshold level.

7. (currently amended) A method for evaluating mold growth probability within a structure comprising the steps of:  
providing questions over a network regarding the structure and building ~~materials used therein~~ characteristics;  
receiving answers over the network to the questions; ~~and~~,  
calculating a mold risk score in response to the answers; and,  
providing a list of suggested steps to reduce the mold risk score in response to the calculated mold risk score exceeding a predetermined threshold level.

8. (original) The method of claim 7 further comprising:  
providing the mold risk score over the network.

9. (original) The method of claim 7 further comprising the step of:  
performing a mold growth propensity assessment in accordance with the provided inspection form.

10. (canceled)

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11. (original) The method of claim 7 further comprising the steps of:  
receiving results of a thermal image of the structure and including the results of the thermal image as  
a variable in calculating the mold risk score.

12. (canceled).

13. (canceled).